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Hon. Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks,
Washington, D.C. 20231.

April 25, 2002.

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated December 4, 2001, and extended in time for response until May 4, 2002, kindly amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

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In the claims:

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Kindly cancel claims 112 and 114-118 without prejudice

Kindly add the following new claims 138-142:

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138. A tube assembly for connection to a fluid analyzing instrument, comprising a connector, said connector having an end face, and wherein at least part of said end face is formed with a reflective foil attached thereto.

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139. A tube assembly for connection to a fluid analyzing instrument, comprising a

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